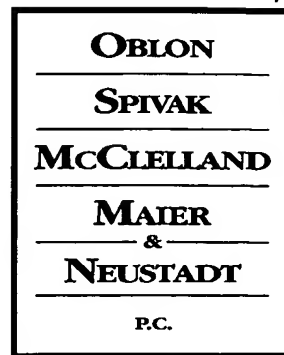




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Group Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: Ruthkosky, Mark

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Election Requirement dated October 11, 2006, Applicants elect species I, for further examination on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 1, 6-9 and 26-28 as readable on the elected species. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1, 6-9 and 26-28 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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